

World War II and needed medical care before they could be released from active duty.

This is where she met her husband, Daniel Morgan Windley, III, a Marine who participated in the battle of Okinawa. They fell in love almost immediately and were married March 9, 1946, 3 months after they met, for 60 years.

They quickly settled down in Aurora, N.C. where her husband built the home Mrs. Windley lives in today. They had 5 children, Mary Lou, Daniel, William, John W., and Margaret. Three of their children also served in the military (Army, Air Force, and the Coast Guard) and her brother served in the Marines.

It is here, in beautiful Beaufort County, where Mrs. Windley began her decades of public service to Beaufort County. She served as a school nurse and then a county nurse, ultimately retiring from the Beaufort County school system after 2 decades of service.

Because of Mrs. Windley's outstanding dedication and great work ethic, she was awarded the President's Volunteer Service Award by the American Red Cross. This prestigious award requires a minimum of 4,000 hours of documented volunteer service.

I am very grateful for her enduring public service to eastern North Carolina and for the incredible example she has set for all of us to follow in life. It is my honor to recognize her in the hallowed United States House of Representatives. God bless Mrs. Windley, and I thank her from the bottom of my heart for her decades of ceaseless service.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF ISADORE THOMAS, SR.

#### HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of Isadore Thomas, Sr.

Isadore Thomas, Sr. departed this life on January 14, 2023, at the age of 77, with his loved ones by his side in Jackson, MS at the Mississippi Baptist Medical Center. He was born to the late Mable Wade Thomas and Anderson Thompson on August 5, 1945, in Holmes County.

He received Christ early in life and became a member of Holly Grove Missionary Baptist Church. Isadore graduated from Tchula Attendance Center. He worked for Baldwin, J.J. Ferguson, and Mileston Headstart Center throughout his career. He operated the family store formally known as Anderson's Store for over 4 decades which became known as DOE'S.

He was known to the community as 'Big Doe.' He inspired others to heed the lessons of failure and understand the secret to getting ahead is never quit, but always try and do your best. His love for western movies, horse races, and fast sports cars was his favorite. During the 6 p.m. hour, he was always tuned into the news. When asked how he won his car races, he told his family, "Just hold it in the road and never look back until after you have won."

He leaves to cherish his memories with 1 brother, John W. Thomas (Chicago, Illinois) and he is survived by his former wife, Betty Thomas, and 3 sons, Isadore (Dianne) Thom-

as, Jr., Al (Tywone) Thomas, and Chaid (Lemuel) Thomas. One daughter Augusta Anderson, son Larry Thurmond; 1 granddaughter; 5 grandsons, 2 great-grandsons; 1 great-granddaughter; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

His memories live on with his special friends Dorothy Taylor, Johnnie (Yolanda) Holmes, Jimmie (Alice) Holmes, Ina (Richard) Watts, Joe (Patrice) Holmes, and Lorenzo Holmes.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life, legacy, and service of Isadore Thomas, Sr.

#### RECOGNIZING COLDWELL BANKER TOWN & COUNTRY REAL ESTATE

#### HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Coldwell Banker Town & Country Real Estate of Altoona, as they celebrate an impressive 50 years in business.

Under the leadership of Bob Pennington and his talented team, Coldwell Banker Town & Country Real Estate has become a trusted, household name in the Blair County community. In both 1995 and 2008, the business was named the Number One Coldwell banker affiliate office in the United States, earning the team recognition in their competitive industry.

Bob Pennington discovered his passion for real-estate after first selling a property owned by his father—a feat he accomplished nearly immediately at the property's first open house. Town & Country Real Estate opened its doors in January of 1973, and eventually joined Coldwell Banker Residential Affiliates Inc. in 1986. Throughout 50 years of business, Pennington and his team have sold over 17,000 homes, assisting individuals and families recognize the American dream.

Throughout his career, Bob has led by example and been involved with a variety of community boards and initiatives.

I applaud Coldwell Banker Town & Country Real Estate on their 50 years in business and look forward to their continued success.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA 2022 CONGRES- SIONAL APP CHALLENGE WIN- NERS

#### HON. DUSTY JOHNSON

OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate South Dakota's 2022 Congressional App Challenge winners Katelyn and Casie Dale from Spearfish. The Dale sisters designed an app called "Lighthouse." This is Katelyn and Casie's second Congressional App Challenge victory after winning the 2021 Congressional App Challenge.

Technological literacy is a vital skill for success both in business and daily life. The goal of the App Challenge is to get students excited about the important and growing field of technology and coding. As a parent, I know how important it is to ensure the media we

surround ourselves with has a positive and healthy impact on how we live our lives, which is why I was especially impressed by Katelyn and Casie's submission. The "Lighthouse" app is a program to help kids and adults find literary material that is appropriate.

"While our brains are so amazing, they need to be protected. We are surrounded by all different kinds of media that, if we're not careful, can poorly program our brains especially those of young people and children in ways that we don't even notice or understand . . . that is why we created Lighthouse," said the Dales.

Congratulations again to Katelyn and Casie.

#### HONORING THE OXFORD, MICHIGAN COMMUNITY

#### HON. ELISSA SLOTKIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Ms. SLOTKIN. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to the strength, resilience, and heart of Oxford, Michigan: a small town that was forever changed on November 30, 2021. That day, the world watched in horror as news broke that a gunman had opened fire at Oxford High School, killing four people and injuring eight others. It was a community-wide tragedy the depth and breadth of which I have never experienced, and one that forever changed the trajectory of life for all those in and around Oxford.

But before it was a headline, Oxford was a close-knit town, the kind of place where neighbors reach out to help neighbors, where people of all ages gather at the local diner sporting Wildcat blue and gold before packing the stands for Friday night football games.

After the unimaginable happened, Oxford was fundamentally changed, clothed from head to toe in profound and overwhelming grief. While that grief will never completely lift, I have seen this community transform yet again through countless acts of kindness and bravery—both from around the world and from right within this community—because Oxford is a place where neighbors reach out to help neighbors.

The examples would fill a library, but to share just a few: the legions of Oxford businesses like Meijer, Sick Pizza, and Legacy Center that opened their doors to provide a safe haven for students and families and raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to support victims. Their contributions, both financial and emotional, are too numerous to count and will never be forgotten.

Oxford Township President Jack Curtis and Oxford Village President Joe Madore responded immediately to the crisis, and worked tirelessly to provide anything and everything they could. They led their boards to channel grief into action, banding together to bring every available resource—local, state, and federal—into this community. And dedicated public servant C.J. Carnacchio used his skill and stalwart determination to tell Oxford's story, playing a pivotal role in bringing meaningful benefits and resources into the community.

More than 30 emergency service agencies—police, fire, and EMS—rushed into the school that day, and today they continue to